Rs. 1,000 will be contributed as raiyats' share. About 300 acres of land will be taken up for coffee cultivation if this road were opened and 12 miles of existing circuit saved.

(*b*). Sidderahalli Nala in the Tarikere Taluk.

(*c*). A bridge across the Vedavati River near Yegati and a Railway feeder from Yegati to Birur, to facilitate the transit of the large quantities of cocoanuts and other produce in which there is considerable traffic with the Malnad on the one hand and Railway on the other.

SHIMOGA DISTRICT (PART.)

Subject No. 43. Excessive reservation of State Forests in the Shimoga Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—There has been excessive demarcation and reservation of State Forests in the Shimoga Taluk. Raiyats are put to much inconvenience in consequence.

Dewan's reply.—The standing orders require that the requirements of the village communities should be duly provided for, and Forest reserves demarcated in consultation with the officers of the Revenue Department. The representation now made will be referred to the Deputy Commissioner with instructions to examine the boundary line and throw it back wherever this may be found to be necessary.

Subject No. 44. Bamboo thorns for fences.

Summary of discussion.—The Forest Rules allow raiyats to take thorny shrubs without permit for hedges. But local officials object to raiyats taking thorny bamboos for the same purpose. The rules should be declared to cover thorny bamboos also.

Dewan's reply.—The representation will be considered and sanction given for the grant of bamboo thorns for fences on light terms, and for treating the Malnad parts of the taluk as Malnad for Forest purposes.

Subject No. 45. Seigniorage on Jambe and Kari-matti.

Summary of discussion.—The rates of seigniorage fixed on Jambe and Kari-matti by the Rules of 1888 are too high. (Notification No. 148, dated 26th October 1888). A similar representation in respect of Jambe was made from the Kadur District also. (See Subject No. 28 *supra*).

Dewan's reply.—The rates will be again looked into and inquiries made to ascertain what reduction, if any, is necessary.